

Regular Meeting
Peru Public Library District
Board of Trustees
13 April 2023
6:00 pm

Present: Jean Carter, Linda Hiltabrand, Mary Lindenmeyer, Doug Olivero, Larry Sittler, Mike Watts and Co-Directors Melissa Keegan and Emily Schaub

Absent: Bo Windy

Guest: Laurie Moss

1. Call to order: President Mike Watts called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.
2. Changes to the agenda: Under Action and/or discussion items, item g. CD authorization was added.
3. Public comments: There were no public comments.
4. Approval of minutes of March 2023
Mary Lindenmeyer moved to approve the minutes of March 2023, Doug Olivero seconded. The motion carried.
5. Financial report
 - a. Approve disbursements for April 2023
Larry Sittler moved to approve disbursements for April 2023, Linda Hiltabrand seconded. The motion carried.
 - b. Accept financial report for April 2023
Linda Hiltabrand moved to accept the financial report for April 2023, Doug Olivero seconded. The motion carried.
6. Correspondence
 - a. The library received a thank you note from the LaSalle Veteran's Home. Books that had been weeded from the collection were donated to the home.
7. Librarian's report
 - a. A plaque has been installed on a rock near the library's front entrance commemorating former Director Charm Ruhnke's years of service to the library.
 - b. The library hosted the West of 47 meeting March 15th. Directors from 8 area libraries were in attendance.
 - c. The library received a \$100 donation from the Alzheimer's Caring Friends Group. Books pertaining to Alzheimer's and dementia have been purchased.
8. Prior meeting follow-up
 - a. Youth Circulation desk project: Progress has been stalled while the search for a new designer continues.
 - b. Decennial Committee: A webinar will be offered April 14th for those interested in learning more about the purpose and requirements of the committee. Co-Director

Emily will share the recording of the webinar and will make it available to all who are interested.

9. President's report: There was no report from the President.

10. Executive session: There was no call for executive session.

11. Action and/or discussion items

- a. Adopt new Computer Use and Social Media section in Personnel Policy: Mary Lindenmeyer moved to adopt the new Computer Use and Social Media section in Personnel Policy, Larry Sittler seconded. The motion carried.
- b. Gutter Guard: Mary Lindenmeyer moved to employ Lilley Seamless Gutters to install gutter guards to the existing gutters, Doug Olivero seconded. The motion carried.
- c. Seal coating: Linda Hiltabrand moved to employ Ski's Seal Coating to patch, seal and stripe the parking lot, Mary Lindenmeyer seconded. The motion carried.
- d. Ordinance annexing Taylor property west end of Peru: Linda Hiltabrand moved to approve Ordinance No. 22-23 008, Mary Lindenmeyer seconded it. A roll call was taken resulting in 6 ayes, 0 nays, and 1 absent.
- e. Election results: April's general election led to current Board members Linda Hiltabrand and Doug Olivero retaining their seats and newcomer Laurie Moss joining the Board. Swearing in will take place at May's meeting.
- f. Illinois House bill prohibiting book bans: The Illinois General Assembly passed Bill HB2789 prohibiting libraries from banning books. Libraries banning books risk losing state funding.
- g. CD authorization: Linda Hiltabrand moved to authorize Melissa Keegan, Co-Library Director, to open a certificate of deposit with Peru Federal Savings Bank. Additionally, Melissa Keegan, Co-Library Director, Emily Schaub, Co-Library Director, Michael Watts, Board President, and Linda Hiltabrand, Board Treasurer, are designated to have transaction authority relating to this certificate of deposit, Mary Lindenmeyer seconded. A roll call was taken resulting in 6 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

12. Board Orientation: To fulfill Board Orientation requirements, the Board was asked to review the following items: – Libraries: An American Value, Glossary of Technical Services Terms and Library law pertaining to Library Board of Trustee members.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:37 pm.

Submitted by Jean Carter/Board Secretary